

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, air quality affects our environment, economy, and the health of the residents of Bastrop County; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Ozone Design Value in the Austin-Round Rock MSA is 69 parts per billion (ppb) which is just 1 ppb below the National Ambient Air Quality for Ground Level Ozone of 70 ppb; and

WHEREAS, while air quality is improving in Central Texas, regional air pollution levels were considered “moderate” or worse on more than thirty percent of days in 2017, according to the National Air Quality Index; and

WHEREAS, children, older adults, people with lung disease, and people with heart disease make up about two out of every five residents of Central Texas, and are particularly affected by poor air quality; and

WHEREAS, Bastrop County supports public awareness about the quality of local and regional air quality and steps that members of our community can take to reduce their exposure to air pollution and to reduce the emissions that contribute to poor air quality in the region; and,

WHEREAS, Bastrop County is a member of the Central Texas Clean Air Coalition of the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) and supports the Coalition’s effort to promote regional air quality.

NOW THEREFORE the members of Bastrop County Commissioners Court do hereby proclaim

April 30 – May 4, 2018

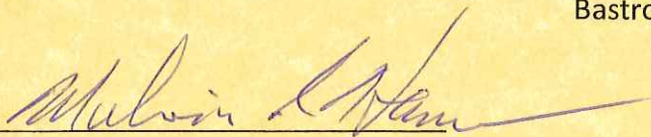
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“Air Quality Awareness Week”

in Bastrop County and encourage our residents and employees to educate themselves about air quality, including visiting CAPCOG’s Air Central Texas website (AirCentralTexas.org) and promoting air quality and air quality awareness within our community.



Paul Pape
Bastrop County Judge



Mel Hamner
Pct. 1 Commissioner



Clara Beckett
Pct. 2 Commissioner



Mark Meuth
Pct. 3 Commissioner



Bubba Snowden
Pct. 4 Commissioner